

## House Resolution No. 687

**Whereas**, it is with distinct pleasure that the members of the Missouri House of Representatives pause in their diverse legislative endeavors in order to acknowledge milestone accomplishments in the lives and careers of Show-Me State residents who have unquestionably devoted themselves to public service and community improvement; and

**Whereas**, Dr. Donald E. Clark of Joplin, Missouri, has proven to be a true leader in his hometown, where he served as Mayor from 1985 to 1990 and as a Council member from 1962 to 1978 and from 1982 to 2002; and

**Whereas**, during his highly productive tenure in city government, Dr. Donald Clark developed and maintained an exceptional reputation for his work on the Airport Board, Audit Committee, Joplin Marketing Committee, Legal Committee, Council Committee to Study Mayor Election, Public Works Audit Committee, Employee Retirement Review Committee, Task Force for Homelessness Committee, Fire Department Management Audit Committee, Community Development Block Grant Application Review Committee, and Governmental Lobbyist Selection Committee; and

**Whereas**, Dr. Donald Clark further distinguished himself as the city representative for LAGERS from 1989 to 2002; and

**Whereas**, Dr. Donald Clark is universally praised as the "Father of the Joplin City Flag" due to his unstinting contributions of time and energy to the design and approval of that august municipal standard; and

**Whereas**, in appreciation of the longstanding service of Dr. Donald Clark to his community, the City of Joplin has added yet another entry to his already lengthy list of accolades through the dedication of the Central Fire Station in his honor:

**Now, therefore, be it resolved** that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, join unanimously to applaud the exemplary, thirty-six-year-long service so freely provided by Dr. Donald Clark to the residents and institutions of Joplin and to convey to him this legislative body's heartiest congratulations upon the renaming of the Joplin Central Fire Station as the "Dr. Donald E. Clark Headquarters Company"; and

**Be it further resolved** that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for Dr. Donald E. Clark of Joplin, Missouri.

Offered by \_\_\_\_\_

Representative Ron Richard  
District No. 129

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Representative Steve Hunter  
District No. 127

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Representative Bryan P. Stevenson  
District No. 128

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Representative Marilyn Ruestman  
District No. 131

I, Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, First Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House Resolution No. 687, adopted March 4, 2003.

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Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker